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In response to the Notice of Allowability dated August 30, 1999 in the above-identified application, wherein new drawings were required, enclosed are new formal drawings for Figures 1-3 in replacement of the originally filed correspondingly numbered informal drawing figures.

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